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Spartanburg, South Carolina
September 1, 1958

*Honorable Jesse T. Anderson, State Superintendent of Education,
Columbia, South Carolina*

Honored Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith to you, and through you, to the people of our State, the one hundred tenth annual report of the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind. This report covers the period from July 1, 1957, to June 30, 1958, inclusive.

Respectfully submitted,
JOE H. HALL, *Chairman*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners of the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind:

Gentlemen:

It is with the feeling of considerable satisfaction that I submit to you the one hundred tenth annual report of the School for the Deaf and the Blind. During the year 1957-58 good, sound, substantial progress has been made at Cedar Spring. The members of the staff have worked hard and are dedicated to the children who attend the school. When we entered the new Thackston Hall in October, 1957, the building program was completed, and we had a modern, well-planned school plant for the deaf and the blind children of South Carolina. The salaries of our teachers and staff are in line with salaries paid in South Carolina. These salaries should be greatly increased. We are sure they will be when increases can be afforded by the state. For our fine plant and a satisfactory operating budget we are most grateful to the General Assembly and to the people of South Carolina.

One of the most significant developments in the last ten years has been in the area of our diagnostic capabilities and in the complete information available on each deaf and blind child. All blind children who come to the school have been seen by ophthalmologists practicing in South Carolina. Many have been examined at Duke, Johns Hopkins, or other fine medical centers. They come with a complete diagnosis and with a complete medical history and report.

In like manner most deaf children have been carefully checked by otologists and a number at hearing clinics. However, with a deaf child, it is often necessary before admittance to have them come to the school for study by Miss Prall, our Audiologist, Dr. Wingfield, our Psychologist, and Mr. N. F. Walker, the Principal, who did graduate work in this field and has had considerable experience at schools for the deaf and at the Naval Hospital in Philadelphia during the war, where he worked with Naval personnel who had problems with speech and hearing.

A room in the infirmary will be equipped this fall with an Allison Model 21 B Audiometer. This will be of considerable help in evaluating the speech and hearing problems of the deaf child.



Mr. David Champion, Supervising Teacher, School for the Blind

All children who enter Cedar Spring are carefully checked by the school otologist and ophthalmologist.

We should like to stress the very important part Dr. Wingfield, the Psychologist, plays in the study of these children. Working closely with Miss Prall and Mr. Walker, his work is invaluable.

It is most interesting to note the number (25) referrals of children with hearing and speech problems from physicians and clinics over the state. Although our staff is limited, we are pleased and proud to offer this service.

Mrs. H. J. Sowell of Spartanburg was appointed to the position of Assistant Supervising Teacher in the School for the Deaf at the opening of the 1957 school year. Mrs. Sowell was born and raised in Kentucky and is a graduate of Centre College and the University of Kentucky. She received her Master's Degree from the Teacher Training Department at Gallaudet College. For the past nine years Mrs. Sowell has been an outstanding teacher at Cedar Spring.

In October, Mrs. J. G. Floyd, President of the Spartanburg Garden Club Council, announced that the Council had received \$846.81 from the Pilgrimage Committee from the State Garden Clubs to be used for a project at the School for the Deaf and the Blind. This money was used for landscaping at Henderson Hall and Smith Infirmary.

The school was approved by the South Carolina Dairy Commis-

sion to participate in the special milk program. This approval made it possible to give all of the children in the dining room and at the snack bar all of the milk which they desired without cost to the child.

In April the Spartanburg Lions Club gave \$2,000.00 to be used for Braille books in the library. The fund was established as a memorial to the late Dr. A. M. Trawick, a well known and well loved Spartanburg educator.

Early in the fall Mr. C. R. McMillan, Chief Highway Commissioner, approved a project providing for new sidewalks, curbs and gutters for the whole school and drainage in the Ballard Hall area. This project was of sufficient size to take care of all of the new sidewalks around Thackston Hall and to provide cement walks for the remainder of the school. The drainage at Ballard Hall had been badly needed. The total cost of the project was considerable and the school is deeply indebted to the Highway Department.

For the past two years a plan for beautifying the campus has been followed with the result that the Cedar Spring campus today is more beautiful than ever. The beautification program has included planting of grass and shrubbery and the pruning and preserving of some of our beautiful old trees.

The following former students were enrolled in colleges last year. They were as follows:

Bobby Betts	Drury College
Ann Douglas	Winthrop College
Dean Guy	Converse College
Leonard Wells	Brigham Young University
Dorothy Donley	Morris College
Jimmy Casterline	Gallaudet College
Martha Marshall	Gallaudet College

LAURENS WALKER, *Superintendent*

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

The Educational Department is pleased to report excellent progress during the school year 1957-1958. The students were taught by a well-trained faculty under the leadership of an excellent group of department heads.

Each department ran quite smoothly and efficiently, as is evidenced by the reports which follow. Activities of all kind were abundant throughout the year, but basically all departments adhered

to conservative methods in the classrooms while taking advantage of modern techniques and apparatus. This has been our policy and will continue to be true, as we feel it is the only way to give our girls and boys the opportunity they deserve.

Additional money was spent during the year to buy materials to aid teachers in their classroom work. Textbooks continued to be reviewed and replaced if they had become outmoded or outdated. Books were added to both libraries and the students urged to create the habit of reading. This we feel is important for all of our students, but especially for the deaf. New visual aids, new hearing aids, and new vocational equipment have given impetus to our program and should sustain it at a higher level.

This year ten students were graduated at the Commencement Exercises held on May 20. Both graduates in the School for the Blind were graduated "with honor". Two of the students in the School for the Deaf were successful in passing the entrance examinations to Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C.

Lest this report would seem to indicate that all was "perfect" in the Educational Department, let me hasten to say that we definitely had our problems during the year. Careful study was made of all achievement tests given. They were analyzed from an individual and a class standpoint. We found that for some students it was necessary to change our approach. Others required more individual attention. For still others there seemed to be no answer to their problems. Lack of interest and emotional instability among some of our students created problems that were a challenge. Dr. Wingfield, our Psychologist, and Miss Prall, our Audiologist, along with department heads have been most helpful in working with these problem children.

I would like to conclude this report by saying that I am confident that we have the superior personnel, the faculty and the facilities to continue to improve the Educational Department of the school, which is today one of the best.

Commencement exercises were held on May 20, 1958, with the following graduates:

- Ralph Hewetson Baer, III (Deaf) of Spartanburg, S. C.
- James Albertus Faile (Blind) of Lancaster, S. C.
- Billy Boyce Floyd (Deaf) of Mullins, S. C.
- James Carol Glenn (Deaf) of Greenwood, S. C.
- Leon Buchanan Griffin, Jr., (Deaf) of Union, S. C.

Herbert Albert Hodge (Deaf) of Sumter, S. C.

Elizabeth Ann Howe (Deaf) of Lynchburg, S. C.

Etroy McCraw (Deaf) of Spartanburg, S. C.

Marshall Carlyle Robinson (Blind) of Heath Spring, S. C.

Melvyn Manning Thompson (Deaf) of Gaffney, S. C.

N. F. WALKER, *Principal*

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING TEACHER

Department for the Blind

When school opened in September the purpose of educating one hundred twenty eight visually handicapped students began. With the help of highly trained personnel and excellent physical facilities, the operation was very smooth with very good attendance on the part of the students and the staff.

The academic program maintained a satisfactory standard as was evidenced by the results of our Scholastic Achievement Testing Program. Much of the success of our academic program can be attributed to discerning individual differences in our pupils, and acting accordingly. Psychological evaluations by the school psychologist enabled us to evaluate the students capacity for study, measure his achievements, and estimate his interest and aptitudes. This helped us to place pupils in their right group and choose the best courses for them. In conjunction with our testing program, partially-seeing students in grades five through nine participated in a standardization study of experimental large type achievement tests conducted by The American Printing House for the Blind.

A number of programs and entertainments were given by the students during the year, both here at the school and at other places over the state. It is the belief of the school that such activities promotes the self-expression and confidence in themselves for our students and that such training is as necessary as other parts of the work of the school.

The Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y, Magnolia Garden Clubs and Sunday School groups, were active and carried on interesting programs throughout the year. Contributions amounting to \$103 were made to World Service, Buildings for Brotherhood, and local charities.

In order to improve methods and increase the efficiency of teachers, a three-day reading workshop was conducted by Miss Jeanne Kenmore, Program Specialist in Education, American Foundation for the Blind, during the month of December. Practical suggestions



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and constructive criticisms were given individual teachers regarding methods and techniques of teaching reading to braille students. In addition, throughout the school year, all teachers attended classes in the reading and writing of braille.

A projection magnifier, tapes, headphones, and tangible aids were added to the classroom equipment during the school year. In addition, an order was placed for 406 braille titles as an addition to the braille library.

The two students who graduated this year received state diplomas and graduated with honor. The Junior-Senior trip to the nation's Capitol was the high-light of the senior year.

Next year will bring new methods and equipment and the broad aims of education of schools of every type, will continue in the Department for the Blind.

MR. DAVID C. CHAMPION, *Supervising Teacher.*

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING TEACHER

Department for the Deaf

One hundred ninety-nine students were enrolled in the Department for the deaf for the 1957-1958 term. We are very proud of the fact that these students were taught by twenty-four well qualified teachers. I was ably assisted in supervising this group by Mrs.

Luda Best Sowell, who was promoted to the position of Assistant Supervising Teacher last spring after having taught in our school for nine years.

October, 1957, is a month that all the people at Cedar Spring will long remember. It is the month that our lower grades, Preparatory I through Third Grade, moved into the new Thackston Hall. Everyone was delighted with the new unit as it has colorful, well equipped schoolrooms, a beautiful library, a visual education room, a roomy workroom a fun room with a baby grand piano for rhythm, and all that is necessary for the education of a young deaf child.

Though we were entranced with the new Thackston Hall, we did not forget our other one hundred twenty students. Every student throughout our school was provided with up-to-date textbooks and workbooks and adequate tools. We tried to get each student to work up to his ability, and succeeded in most cases. We realized that all work and no play makes Jack and Jill dull people, so we made our work interesting with exhibits, colorful bulletin boards, film strips, story hours, and field trips. Eight of our students received diplomas in May, and two of them plan to enter Gallaudet College this fall.

Our Psychologist and Hearing Consultant gave us much help and good advice throughout the year. We checked our progress twice during the year with achievement tests, but we believe that more testing should be done, and we plan to do this next year.

This year, for the first time, our social calendar was planned by a student committee with a teacher advisor. They planned a full and varied program and had student committees to help plan and direct each event. The outstanding social event of the year was a formal dance sponsored by the Hi-Y Club. We feel that teaching students to assume responsibilities like these while in school will help them carry their load when they are graduated.

In closing I would like to say that I think South Carolina has a school of which she can be proud and I am happy to be a part of it.

MISS JULIE McDERMOTT, *Supervising Teacher*

TEACHER'S TRAINING PROGRAM

Two highlights marked the 1957-1958 term for the teacher education department. First, a record enrollment was achieved when eleven juniors and seniors registered for the course last September.

Second, the graduating seniors were the first group to complete a full two-year program of work.

The four students who completed the two-year course were: Miss Sally Gignilliat and Miss Corrie Jean Miller, Spartanburg, S. C.; Miss Eleanor Brown, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; and Miss Mary Jane May, Quincy, Florida. Miss Gignilliat has received a teaching appointment at the Arizona State School for the Deaf, Tucson. Miss May has accepted a position at the Pilot Institute for the Deaf in Dallas, Texas. Miss Miller has accepted an appointment as first grade teacher at Cedar Spring. We are pleased to welcome her to our staff. Miss Brown, the fourth member of the class, is still undecided as to her plans for next year.

Students enrolled as juniors were Miss Judy Brewer, Rocky Mount, North Carolina; Miss Winifred Harris, Cambridge, Maryland; Miss Jayne Howle, Darlington, South Carolina; Miss Grace Mercer, Richmond, Virginia; Miss Margaret Lu Smith, DeFuniak Springs, Florida; Miss Carol Starnes, Asheville, North Carolina; and Miss Frances Vogler, Anderson, South Carolina. All of these students plan to continue their training next year.

It is interesting to note that six states were represented in the two classes.

The present teacher education program, which was instituted in 1949, is offered jointly by Converse College and the South Carolina School for the Deaf. Students begin their specialized training in their junior year. The course, which includes twenty-six semester hours of lectures, observation, and practice teaching, constitutes a minor field for the students enrolled. The Bachelor's Degree is awarded by Converse College. The program bears the endorsement of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf, Inc.

The training course is also open to local persons who are graduates of an accredited college or university.

Information regarding the teacher education program may be obtained by writing to Mr. N. F. Walker, Assistant Superintendent, South Carolina School for the Deaf, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

In addition to our college program three members of our Ballard Hall faculty met for three hours each Saturday morning for lectures and discussion and for two hours during the week for observation of classroom procedure. This is a two-year program and will therefore, be continued next year.

In view of the existing shortage of trained teachers we consider

ourselves fortunate to have our own facilities for the preparation of teachers. Through our teacher training program we have been able to supply our own need for teachers whenever it has arisen. We feel that we have also rendered a service to the field through the teachers we have sent out to various parts of the country.

MISS JOSEPHINE PRALL, *Director of Teacher Training*

REPORT OF THE HEARING CONSULTANT

The following report summarizes the work carried out in the audiology department during the 1957-1958 school term.

The usual routine audiometric tests were administered to the children in the department for the deaf. Pupils selected for training with wearable hearing aids and those presenting special problems were tested several times during the year; all others were tested at least once.

It has long been recognized that an evaluation of the blind child's hearing acuity is essential in planning a program of rehabilitation for him. This year for the first time a program of hearing testing was carried out in the department for the blind. Converse College students enrolled in the teacher training classes assisted with the testing program.

The program for the selection and the use of wearable hearing aids was carried out, as in previous years; however, the time allotted for individual work with the pupils was greatly limited by the demands of the teaching and testing schedule. Twelve pupils were selected for special work on our hearing aid program. Although aids were recommended for seven of these children, only three were fitted this year. The State Department of Education authorized the funds for the purchase of aids for two of these children; the parents bought the aid for the third child. Problems were encountered in securing the funds for the purchase of the aids for the other four children. None of these cases are eligible for state aid; yet the parents have failed to supply the money.

We now have fifty-five children using wearable hearing aids. The instruments and the batteries were checked periodically by the hearing consultant.

This year we have placed greater emphasis on the use of the individual hearing aids outside the classroom, especially in Thackston Hall. It is extremely important to establish the habit of hearing aid use early in the child's life; we have therefore, endeavored to



Teacher Training Class—Converse College and School for the Deaf

train our younger group to put on their hearing aids as soon as they get up and to keep them on throughout the day. The cooperation of the houseparents in this matter has been greatly appreciated.

The number of referrals from physicians, schools, clinics, etc. continues to grow. About twenty-five children were sent to the school this year for an evaluation of their speech and hearing problems. It is our responsibility to screen these cases and select the ones who will benefit from instruction at Cedar Spring. The others are referred to some other type of educational program.

It is currently estimated that our pre-fabricated soundproofed room and speech audiometer will be installed and ready for use early in September. We expect this equipment to be an invaluable aid in the evaluation of speech and hearing difficulties and in the selection of hearing aids.

The hearing consultant has been invited to serve as a member of the Auxiliary Board of Directors of the Alexander Graham Bell Association; and as chairman of the section on auditory training for the program of the biennial meeting of the Association to be held in Pittsburgh June 22nd to 27th.

MISS JOSEPHINE PRALL, *Hearing Consultant*

REPORT OF THE PSYCHOLOGIST

Since my report for the session 1956-57, I have interviewed and tested fifty-five students and eighteen applicants. Eight of these applicants were processed during the summer of 1957 and before the opening of the fall session.

One afternoon per week is spent at the school. A detailed account of my activities will not be given since they follow the general pattern of any school psychologist with this difference: in this school all children have either auditory or visual deficiencies and all live under residential conditions. These factors may, and often do, create psychological problems not encountered in regular public schools.

In general my duties consist of: (1) interviewing and examining students referred to me for various reasons, the most common cause being poor classwork; (2) interviewing teachers, supervisors, and dormitory directors relative to student problems; (3) interviewing and examining applicants for admission, especially those applicants about whom there may be doubt regarding their readiness; (4) interviewing parents of students and applicants; (5) submitting reports to the Principal on cases studied, with recommendations regarding appropriate action; (6) acting as consultant for the general educational testing program (7) helping indirectly with the Teacher-Training program as it is related to Converse College.

In addition to the specific activities listed above, I have served as consultant, in areas appropriate to my field of work, whenever requested by the administrative, supervisory, and teaching staffs.

ROBERT C. WINGFIELD, *Psychologist*

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The Music Department at Cedar Spring has been very active during the year. The usual concerts were presented at Christmas and in the Spring by the older students, as well as the concert by the Primary students under the direction of Miss Marion Spigener. Both groups participated in May Day and the Primary students also performed for the Lions Club at their annual Christmas party.

The Chorus presented several programs in and out of the Spartanburg area and it seems to be the consensus of opinion that this group, under the direction of Mrs. Eleanor White, has been more outstanding this year than in quite a number of years, if not, indeed, in the history of the School. At the annual meeting of the Southern Coastal States Music Festival for the Blind, held this year on our campus, the Chorus was particularly outstanding.



Chorus—School for the Blind

The Music Festival was attended by twenty students from the North Carolina School for the Blind and proved to be a very profitable experience for both students and faculty.

Considerable improvement has been noted in the Band because of increased enrollment and interest in the study of band instruments and to the efforts of Mr. Charles Tuggle, Band Director. Under the direction of Mr. Tuggle the Band not only played for the home football games, May Day, Commencement and recitals but performed for the South Carolina Aurora Club of the Blind at their Convention in Spartanburg on May 11th.

ALFRED M. WHITE, *Director of Music*

GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The girls' physical education program emphasized softball and marching during the early fall of the 1957-1958 term. A marching demonstration by the girls' drill team was presented during half-time activities at the annual homecoming football game in October.

In the late fall of 1957 the Kraus-Weber Tests for Minimum Muscular Fitness in school children was given to all students enrolled in physical education classes. The student body as a whole did considerably better than the American children tested in a study reported in the December 1953 issue of the *Journal of the American Association of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation*.

Our primary children had a total of 36% failing on one or more tests. The intermediate and advanced girls showed a total of 15.8% failing on one or more tests. The survey group listed a total of 57.9% of the American children as having failed the test.*

*Hans Kraus, M. D. and Ruth P. Hirschland, "Minimum Muscular Fitness Tests in School Children" *The Research Quarterly*, vol. 25-number 2 Pp. 178-188, (May 1954)



Lunch—Thackston Hall

The greatest weakness of our youngest students was in tests of strength. Above this level, the greatest weakness occurred in tests of flexibility. There was a re-test in the spring of 1958, after proper conditioning exercises and activities, 36.7% of those students having previously failed tests, had improved sufficiently to pass them.

The annual May Day program was held on May 3rd and consisted of many activities such as dancing, singing, tumbling and pantomime.

A track meet was held in the spring with all advanced girls participating. The most outstanding athlete in the deaf department was Frances Greer of Union. The most outstanding athlete in the blind department was Jane Brewer of Charleston.

MISS MARIAN FORTUNE, *Director*

BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Boys' Physical Education Program during the school term 1957-58 was composed of many varied and interesting activities for our students.

During the fall our football team recorded two wins and four losses. James Faile, of Lancaster, was voted the Most Valuable Player, and Jimmy Glenn, of Greenwood, received national recognition by being placed on the Honorable Mentioned List of the Deaf All-American Team. The major sport during the winter was basketball. The team had eight wins and ten losses and participated in the Mason-Dixon Tournament in Staunton, Virginia. The members of this tournament were composed of teams from the Southeastern schools for the deaf. Our school was represented on the all-tournament team by Jimmy Glenn. During the spring a track and field meet was held. Ralph Williams, of Westminster, won first place in the Department for the Deaf, and James Faile was the winner in the Department for the Blind.

In addition to the major sports, many physical education activities were enjoyed by the students. In the Department for the Deaf, these activities consisted of touch football, volleyball, softball, and other games which developed basic motor skills. The blind students enjoyed tumbling, wrestling, and physical fitness tests, as well as a modification of volleyball, basketball, softball, and touch football.

We have had a good year in the Boys' Physical Education Department and are looking forward to another year when we expect to make such changes as will give us an even better program.

WILLIAM CREECH, *Director*

VOCATIONAL REPORT

The program in the vocational department has been carried on this year much the same as it was last year. Our course of study still remains in the foreground, and we are continually correcting and altering it in order that it may better serve the needs of our students. We have strengthened our program this year by using problems which involve actual simulated working conditions. When students advance in skills and abilities we require them to follow the correct procedure in making application for work. If the application is correct they are then placed in an actual simulated working condition. This system has enabled us to find and correct many mistaken ideas they might have in regards to different jobs. We have placed more emphasis on production and have endeavored to keep the students "wide awake" and willing to go "all-out" in doing a job well.

The department is now staffed with well qualified teachers and many interesting projects have been completed this year.

The boys in the broom and mattress shops have completed thir-



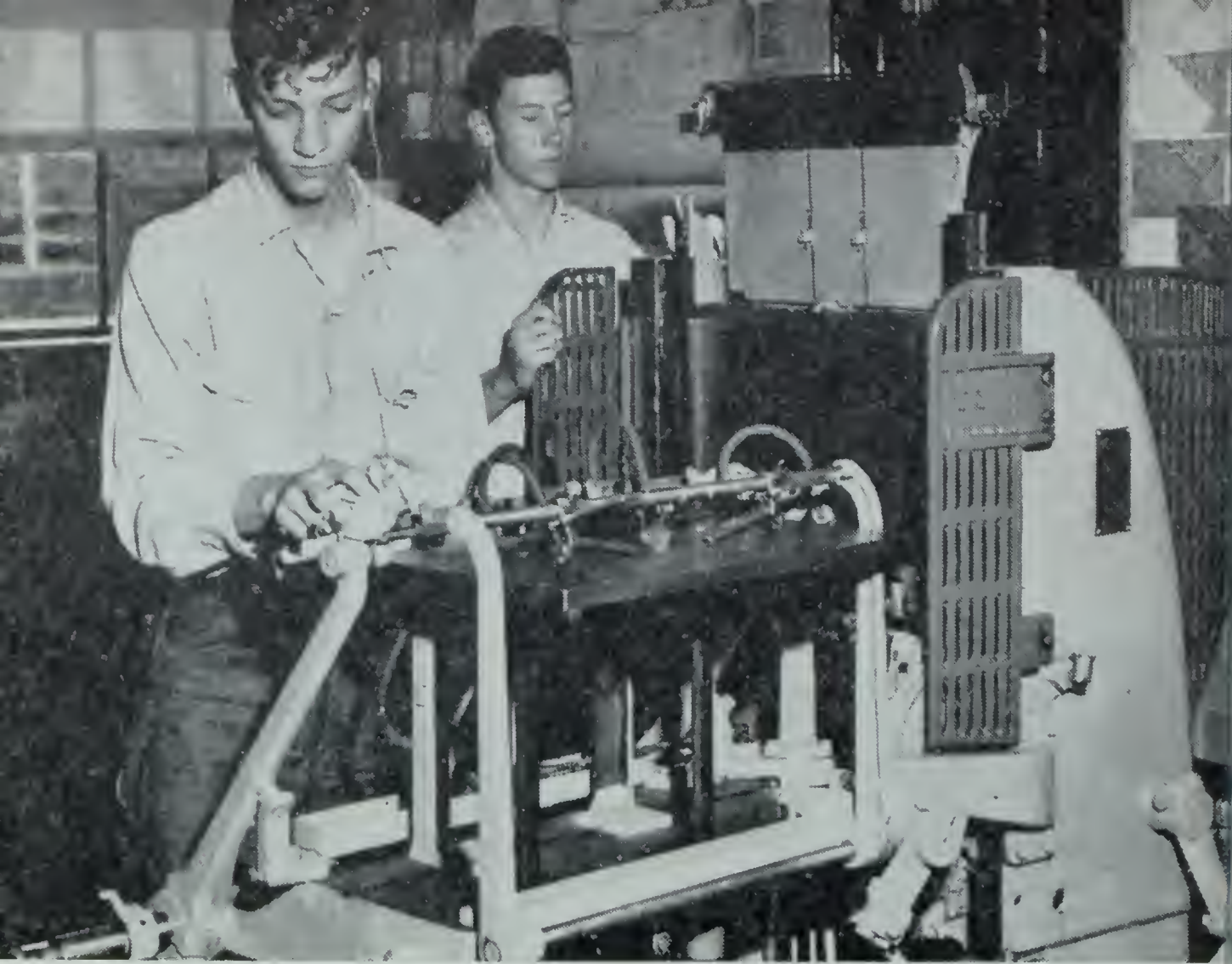
Senior Trip to Washington, D. C.

teen dozen brooms, twelve pad mattresses and six inner-spring mattresses. They have kept the school well supplied with rubber mats and have renovated many of the older mattresses that have become worn or lumpy.

Our brick masonry class at Ballard Hall has progressed exceptionally well. Many walls, fire places, chimneys, patios and even a small house have gone up on our practice slab this year. The boys have been on several field trips to actual building sites and have really enjoyed their brick work this year. This vocation is increasing in popularity and should be a very good trade for these boys.

Our print shop has continued to be the "work horse" of our department. It is the most popular and remunerative vocation that we have to offer our boys and girls. Our print shop this year once again handled the printed matter for the school and in addition has printed three booklets for THE AMERICAN ANNALS FOR THE DEAF, in Washington, D. C.

This year we have seen our course of study in its entirety in operation, and have been able to strengthen many of its weaker points. We have seen our students go about their work with a better understanding

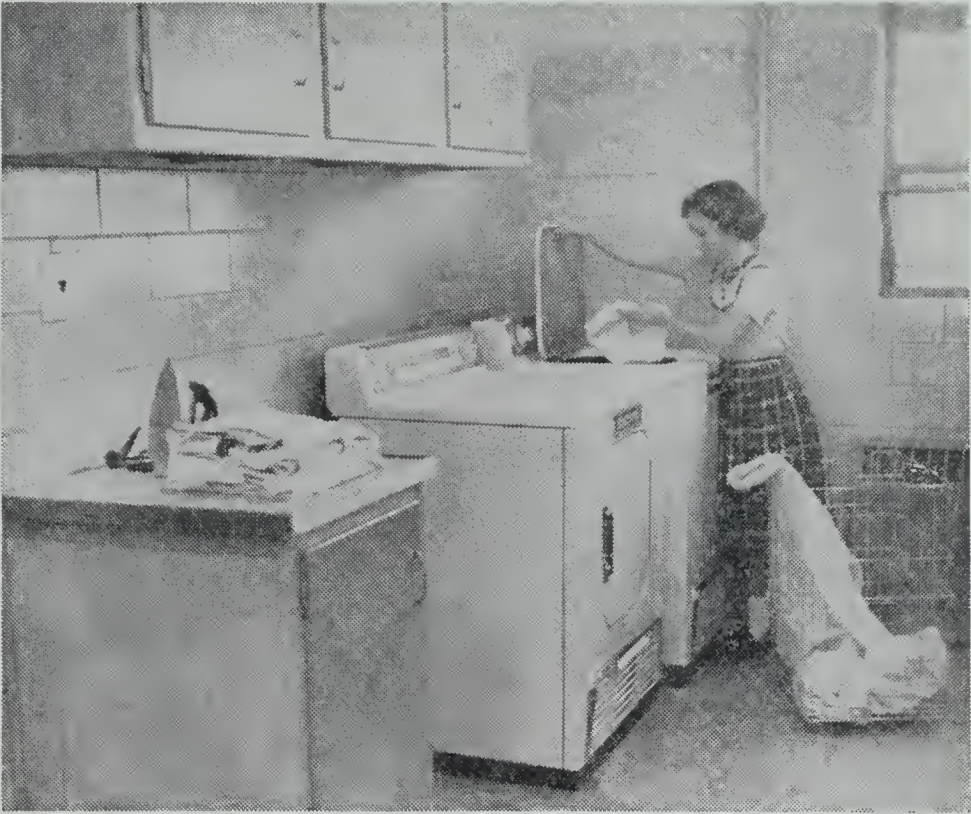


Cleaning Vertical Printing Press

and an improved attitude toward their work. All of these improvements I attribute to our teachers who are vitally interested in giving the best to the students at all times. They have worked hard to improve our work this year, and I feel certain that our department shall be even stronger next year.

In a recent survey of our graduates for the past four years we found that all who desire employment are now working. Only one is working in a trade in which he did not receive some training while here at school, and it being a course in which he elected not to study as a student here. Of the sum total of all our graduates for the last four years counting those who are married, in college, and those who do not desire employment at the present time, we have 74.36% employed in gainful occupations. This I feel is an excellent average, and I am sure as our program and facilities improve so shall this percentage.

HARRY W. REID, *Vocational Director*



Operating Washing Machine in Home Economics Department

REPORT OF THE HOUSE DIRECTOR

This has been a year of great achievement. Many improvements have been made throughout the school. Our major emphasis now is concentrating on holding our high level of operation and cleanliness, while keeping alert to ways of making any additional improvements.

Thackston Hall

This is the beautiful new building that houses our youngest children, their housemothers and the house director. This is a whole unit—where the children live, eat, sleep, play and go to school.

Four nicely designed utility closets were provided for the janitors where equipment and maintenance supplies are kept. This means a saving in our janitor's time.

Henderson Hall

It was a joyous day when our intermediate boys and girls moved back into their building, after several years living in more or less cramped conditions. They now have more space for recreation and study. We now have reception rooms for parents and visitors in this building.



Girl's Basketball Team

Hughston Hall

This building has returned to normal since the Henderson Hall girls moved and can now be kept in a "first-class" condition. Colorful draperies and sofa pillows helped add to the charm of the large living room.

Walker Hall

During the crowded period it was difficult to keep this building as it should be kept but we are now endeavoring to get it "ship-shape" again. Bathrooms have been painted and all repair work should be completed before the next school term.

Ballard Hall

Much work has been done here to improve the cleanliness and appearance of these buildings. We have made progress and hope to accomplish more during the next school year.

Laundry

The high quality of work has continued throughout the year. We now have a staff of good workers and our class of older girls who have been training on the job for the past several years has begun to show results in the work they perform. They are a real contribution to the laundry.

The appearance and cleanliness of the following listed buildings also

comes under direct supervision of the House Director: Smith Infirmary, Textile Building, Vocational Shops, Gym, Chapel, Music Departments, School Rooms.

There are 428 beds in use by children, teachers, houseparents, counselors, dietitian and assistants at this school. Blankets, bed clothing, pillows, towels and all related articles have been purchased for the 1958-59 term.

Cleaning supplies for floors, windows, woodwork, and the different types of floor wax have been ordered to arrive in time for our over-all summer cleaning which takes place late in July and August under the supervision of the House Director.

Along with the expansion of the school, the duties of the House Director have increased. Our upkeep and maintenance costs have advanced in proportion to additional space. There has also been a rise in price of most items and maintenance supplies that we must use. However, a great deal of thought has gone into the planning and working out of strict schedules for our janitorial staff and I am pleased to report that there has been only one half-day worker added. We now have two full-time janitors, one half-time janitor, two maids, and the four boys that have had training in our Household Economics classes. These boys work from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. week days and from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon Saturdays. We are very proud of the progress these boys have made.

MRS. ORCHES W. BROWN, *House Director*

DIETARY REPORT

The goal of this department is to supply the best possible food, have it well prepared under acceptable standards of sanitation, and properly served.

We have come to accept a school food service as an integral part of a successful and fully functioning school program. Our food program, through the cooperation of the Educational Department is no longer a "feeding program". Our objectives and procedures have broadened to include the promotion of good food habits and the development of good habits of social behavior. Among the essentials in the attainment of this goal are, knowledge of food selection, preparation and service, planning, organization, successful personnel direction, sanitation, good physical lay out and proper equipment.

Our menu is carefully planned well in advance, employing as much variety as seasons and circumstances permit; and followed up with



School for the Deaf Class—Ballard Hall—New Classroom With Hearing Aids

the purchase of quality foods of nutritive value at market prices.

The same care is exercised in the preparation of food. We have incorporated in our meal planning standardized recipes, the intelligent use of which takes the guess work out of quantity food preparation and protects our food service against the possibility of a day when the only cook with the knowledge of roll making or any particular job of importance fails to report for work.

Each of our three kitchens is sufficiently staffed with well trained, highly efficient employees with years of experience in institutional food service.

Each kitchen and dining room is under the direction of competent personnel. Our meals are served family style with plenty of food for extra servings if desired.

Our dining rooms were newly decorated this year and all of our kitchens remodeled with completely new work lay-outs, making possible a speedier and more efficient food service. We are also fortunate and proud to have in each of our kitchens beautiful new walk-in coolers and stainless steel tables with storage cabinets beneath them. We feel that with excellent refrigeration and ample space

for the storage of dishes in closed cabinets, the sanitation of this department is greatly improved.

We encourage the children in the acceptance of new foods or the tried and true differently prepared foods. It often calls for a bit of psychology. The appearance of food influences its acceptability to the deaf child for they choose food from the standpoint of eye appeal. The blind by the aroma.

We endeavor to instruct the children in manners, teaching them consideration for those who share their table, for the boys and girls who serve them and for the teacher, counsellors and dining room personnel. They are taught the proper use of napkins, silver, correct handling of food, good posture and many other things of importance, particularly to the blind. This program is not an occasional lecture but one that is covered in detail daily, giving individual attention whenever necessary.

I do not believe that we could have a more wonderful group of teachers and counsellors than those who have worked with us this year and had so great a part in whatever success we have achieved in the dietary department. Their patience, understanding and love for the children has been a great inspiration to me and served to strengthen and uphold me when I needed it most.

We close our year pleased with the progress made in this department, fully realizing that there is much yet to be accomplished; and with great plans for the future.

MRS. BERTIE FULLER, *Dietitian*

MEDICAL REPORT

The Smith Infirmary and the health of the children is under the direction and care of the following staff.

Dr. D. L. Smith, Jr. Pediatrician

Dr. R. L. Ralston, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat

Dr. J. L. Stinson, Dentist

Mrs. Nannie H. Wells, R.N., Nurse

Mrs. Ann Brantley, Assistant Nurse

All new children were examined by Dr. Smith 51

First and second Polio inoculation 11

Third Polio inoculation 60

Asian flu vaccine 318

Chicken pox 6

Measles 48

Influenza 116

Mumps	2
Wasserman test	2
Earl Griffin—cut right thumb—treated by Dr. Smith.	

Urology

Shirley Owens—Pyelonephritis—treated by Dr. C. C. Lyles.

Orthopedic

Delores Hall—fractured left arm. Set and east applied by Dr. Leon Poole.

Roger Milligan—fractured right elbow. Open reduction by Dr. J. E. Keith.

Walker Norwood—fractured right arm. Set and east applied by Dr.'s. Smith and Leon Poole.

Surgical

Franecs Chestnut—appendectomy by Dr. Leon Poole.

Herman Hancock—cut on forehead—sutured by Dr. C. C. Lyles.

John Knight—injured left shoulder. Treated by Dr. Smith.

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat

All new children were examined by Dr. R. L. Ralston 51

Geraldine Church—tonsilleetomy and adenoideetomy by Dr. Ralston

Children fitted with glasses 7

Skin test, Toxoplasmosis on all blind children 120

Test was done by Miss Rose Jordon, R. N., of Augusta, Georgia. Reading of test and eye examination was done by Dr. John Fair of Augusta, Georgia.

Skull X-Ray at General Hospital 10

Dentistry

All new children examined by Dr. Stinson 51

Children given dental appointments, had fillings or extractions 138

On April 26, the entire school was deeply grieved by the death of Dr. R. L. Ralston. We shall always remember the heart warming smile that was always on the face of our beloved doctor. Words could never express our feelings for this wonderful young doctor. He will be missed by the children and staff at the School for the Deaf and the Blind.

MRS. NANNIE H. WELLS, R.N.

NEEDS

The following budget is needed for maintenance for 1959-60:

Maintenance

Administration	\$ 25,780.00
Education	229,639.00

Infirmary	9,430.00
General Plant	147,917.00
Dietary	98,675.00
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Total Maintenance	\$ 511,441.00
Less Institutional Revenue	16,500.00
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	\$ 494,941.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

From July 1, 1957 through June 30, 1958

Maintenance Fund

Balance July 1, 1957\$.00

Income:

Appropriation\$ 490,828.00

Other Income16,513.93

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Add Total Income		\$ 507,341.93

Total Balance and Income		\$ 507,341.93
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Disbursements:

Administration\$ 25,790.26

Education226,926.55

Infirmary9,522.97

General Plant146,289.56

Dietary98,812.59

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Deduct Total Disbursements		\$ 507,341.93

Balance June 30, 1958		\$.00
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Trust Fund

Balance July 1, 1957\$ 2,313.72

As Follows:

Walter G. Holmes Fund\$ 36.42

Special Donation Fund357.21

Thackston Award Fund335.00

Students Accounts1,585.09

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		\$ 2,313.72

Add Income		\$ 5,417.59
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As Follows:

Walter G. Holmes Fund\$ 100.00

Special Donation Fund	1,553.92
Ruth Finley Literary Award	25.00
Students Accounts	763.86
Columbia Aurora Club Fund	110.00
Garden Club of S. C. Pilgrimage Fund	864.81
Dr. A. M. Trawick Memorial Fund	2,000.00

\$ 5,417.59

Total Balance and Income	\$ 7,731.31
Deduct Disbursements	\$ 4,941.02

As Follows:

Walter G. Holmes Fund	\$ 63.48
Special Donation Fund	1,801.29
Thackston Award Fund	15.00
Ruth Finley Literary Award	25.00
Students Accounts	770.21
Columbia Aurora Club Fund	74.41
Garden Club of S. C. Pilgrimage Fund	864.81
Dr. A. M. Trawick Memorial Fund	1,326.82

\$ 4,941.02

Balance June 30, 1958	\$ 2,790.29
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As Follows:

Walter G. Holmes Fund	\$ 72.94
Special Donation Fund	109.84
Thackston Award Fund	320.00
Students Accounts	1,578.74
Columbia Aurora Club Fund	35.59
Dr. A. M. Trawick Memorial Fund	673.18

\$ 2,790.29

Permanent Improvements

Balance July 1, 1957	\$ 155,823.30
Add Income	31,691.30

Total Balance and Income	\$ 187,514.60
Deduct Disbursements	179,815.80

Balance June 30, 1958	\$ 7,698.80
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ENROLLMENT

Thackston Hall — Girls

Deaf	19
Blind	15

Thackston Hall — Boys

Deaf	24
Blind	18

Walker Hall — Girls

Deaf	49
Blind	18

Walker Hall — Boys

Deaf	53
Blind	30

Ballard Hall — Girls

Deaf	34
Blind	18

Ballard Hall — Boys

Deaf	31
Blind	29

GRAND TOTAL	338
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Summary

Girls	153
Boys	185

Total	338
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THACKSTON HALL

Blind Children

John Anderson	Kershaw	°Lee Roy Gainey	Spartanburg
°Randy Antley	Richland	Juanita Green	York
°Marlene Black	Greenville	Clifford Hancock	Aiken
°Linwood Blackburn	Georgetown	Diane Johnston	Barnwell
Alvin Bodie	Richland	Barbara Mattson	Spartanburg
Charles Bruce	Anderson	°Harold Phillips	Laurens
Jerry Bryant	Spartanburg	Carolyn Rhodes	Spartanburg
Nancy Bryant	Spartanburg	°Tony Smith	Pickens
°Barbara Carson	Spartanburg	°Charles Therrell	Marlboro
Bruce Cole	Lexington	Barbara Thrift	Spartanburg
°Cecil Davis	Spartanburg	Wayne Walters	Anderson
Eddie Dickard	Pickens	°Larry Watts	Lancaster
Linda Fields	Anderson	Sandra Watts	Lancaster
Eileen Fogle	Bamberg	Emily Williams	Lexington
Janice Fowler	Spartanburg	Katherine Williamson	Aiken
°Sandra Fowler	Cherokee	°Jared Wofford	Greenwood
Tommuic Frawley	Charleston		

THACKSTON HALL

Deaf Children

°Terry Arnold	Lexington	Larry Lida	Spartanburg
Larry Baker	Kershaw	°Mellie Lollis	Pickens
°Linda Bass	Chester	°Bobby Lynch	Greenville
Donald Brant	York	David McLean	Marlboro
°Linda Brunson	Clarendon	Kaye Miles	Greenville
Tommy Burwell	Spartanburg	Frances Milligan	Horry
°John Carraway	Florence	°Carol Mitchum	Lexington
Jean Cauthen	Spartanburg	°Wanda Moore	Charleston
Geraldine Church	Dillon	Nickie Nickulas	Greenville
Iva Ann Cribb	Florence	Linda Peak	Lexington
°Eugene Davis	Lexington	Leonard Rackley	Greenville
Steve Evans	Clarendon	James Riddle	Laurens
°David Evatt	Anderson	Howard Sisk	Greenville
°Carol Freeman	Greenville	°Brad Smith	Charleston
Randie Hall	Richland	Mickey Smith	Richland
°Herman Hancock	Aiken	Boyd Spencer	Cherokee
°Barbara Henderson	Spartanburg	°Rudolph Turner	Spartanburg
Jimmy Hodge	Charleston	°Brenda Ulmer	Colleton
°Ann Hyman	Dillon	Jewel Ward	Charleston
Billy Hyman	Dillon	Carolyn Williamson	Marion
Darrell Jordan	Spartanburg	Joann Williamson	Horry
°Gaylon Kyzer	Lexington		

WALKER HALL

Blind Children

Phyllis Anderson	Kershaw	Padgett McKenzie	Florence
Sherry Barber	Spartanburg	Maek Nettles	Dorchester
Bobby Bass	Marion	Harold Oliver	Union
Ruby Baughman	Lexington	Shirley Owens	Lexington
*Martha Beckett	Colleton	Steve Patterson	Cherokee
Jane Brewer	Charleston	Faye Phillips	Laurens
Herman Bryant	Spartanburg	Johnny Quinley	Chesterfield
Francis Chestnut	Horry	Gene Revels	Spartanburg
*John Compton	Greenville	Aldon Ridings	Spartanburg
Ann Dew	Dillon	Lee Ridings	Spartanburg
Ethel Lee Dyson	Sumter	Marshall Robinson	Laneaster
Billy Eubanks	Spartanburg	James Rogers	Dillon
James Faile	Laneaster	Jean Rowley	Greenville
Evelyn Fields	Anderson	Sylvia Sammons	Greenville
Billy Fowler	Spartanburg	Leonard Senn	Spartanburg
Billy Griggs	Darlington	Marlene Sikes	Richland
Ollie Harris	Edgefield	Sammie Smith	Greenville
W. L. Hilburn	Horry	*Lottie Stogner	Lancaster
Sheila Hilley	Anderson	Judy Strickland	Anderson
Maxie Keaton	Greenville	Milton Tant	Spartanburg
Robert Langley	Marlboro	Larry Taylor	Dillon
Naney Leaman	Greenwood	Robert Weddon	Richland
Bobby Mason	York	*Fred Allen William	Orangeburg
Durant McElveen	Lee	Charles Wyndham	Charleston

WALKER HALL

Deaf Children

Phyllis Aekerman	Saluda	Roy Davis	Anderson
George Adams	Richland	David Duncan	Spartanburg
Linda Arnold	Lexington	Faye Dunlap	Spartanburg
Ralph Baer	Spartanburg	Gloria Dykes	Beaufort
Miriam Bagwell	Greenville	Patsy Elvington	Dillon
Reba Bailey	Aiken	Robert Erwin	Cherokee
James Broekman	Greenville	Billie Boyce Floyd	Marion
Linda Kay Browder	Colleton	Kaye Frye	Horry
Delores Brown	Marion	Pauline Gainey	Charleston
*Robin Brunson	Clarendon	Wilson Geddings	Clarendon
Shirley Burnside	Oconee	James Glenn	Greenwood
Arledge Castles	Charleston	*Wayne Goforth	Cherokee
Gerald Cooley	Anderson	Dennis Greer	Union
Albert Creech	Barnwell	Frances Greer	Union
Sylvia Creech	Barnwell	Leon Griffin	Union
Louise Davis	Lexington	Josephine Haire	Lancaster
Phyllis Davis	Anderson	Barbara Halbrook	Oconee

Robert Halbrook	Oconee	William Orr	Oconee
Delores Hall	Richland	Oweada Ott	Lexington
Wayne Hampton	Cherokee	Roger Parham	Union
Linda Harmon	Spartanburg	Deborah Pendarvis	Charleston
Mary Harmon	Spartanburg	Jenny Powell	Florence
Ronnie Harsey	Aiken	Carolyn Reid	Oconee
Charles Henderson	Spartanburg	Ronnie Riddle	Laurens
Marvin Henderson	Spartanburg	° Bobby Rippy	Florence
° Denise Hervey	Horry	Herbert Roach	Oconee
Richard Hiott	Charleston	Ronnie Robinson	Florence
Herbert Hodge	Sumter	Joe Rochester	Oconee
Joy Ann Horton	Lancaster	Stephen Rogers	Pickens
Elizabeth Howe	Spartanburg	Joyce Schaefer	Greenville
Judith Howell	Richland	Harold Sexton	Greenville
Jean Hyman	Dillon	Thomasine Shumaker	Sumter
Ernest Hall	Aiken	Lois Sims	Florence
John Knight	Spartanburg	Grover Smoak	Calhoun
Charles Laird	Barnwell	George Springs	Marlboro
Jean Ledford	Spartanburg	Carey Stevenson	Greenville
° Harold Loveless	McCormick	Ann Strickland	Charleston
Pearl Lyda	Spartanburg	Kay Strickland	Charleston
Etroy McCraw	Spartanburg	Mary Alice Sullivan	Richland
Boyd McKeown	Chester	Madaline Taylor	Greenville
Charlie McKinney	Pickens	Melvin Thompson	Cherokee
Peggy Melton	Spartanburg	° Diane Vincent	Richland
Naomi Milligan	Horry	George Wannamaker	Lexington
Roger Milligan	Horry	Danny Williams	Clarendon
Sue Milligan	Horry	Billy Williams	Lexington
David Mitchum	Lexington	Martha Ann Williams	Oconee
Sammy Moree	Greenville	Ralph Williams	Oconee
Brenda Musgrove	Bamberg	Margaret Wise	Richland
Bobby Newton	York	Ann Nell Wood	Pickens
Rose Ann Nickulas	Greenville	Jackie Wright	Laurens
Walker Norwood	Lancaster	Rudolph Young	Greenville

BALLARD HALL

Blind Children

Richard Allston	Charleston	Lula Belle Charles	Sumter
David Barr	Florence	Roosevelt Clemons	Aiken
Joseph Barr	Dillon	Herman Cusaac	Florence
Melvin Barr	Dillon	Charles Davis	Abbeville
Samuel Breazeale	Anderson	Robert Dawkins	Anderson
Julius Broughton	Charleston	Annie Dunmyer	Charleston
° John Brown	Richland	Walter Gadsden	Charleston
Betty Cameron	Georgetown	Dorothy Garrett	Charleston
Nora Lee Capers	Allendale	° Mary Gibson	Saluda
° Jessie Cauthen	Lancaster	Willie Mae Gilliam	York

Louis Gilliard	Charleston	Willie Moorman	Union
Leroy Graham	Florence	*Jean Murray	Abbeville
Arthur Hall	York	Russell Oxner	Newberry
Erlin Haymond	Oconee	Jimmy Peterson	Sumter
Benjamin Holmes	Fairfield	*Moses Peterson	Darlington
Charles Howard	Anderson	Jocann Salters	Charleston
Amos James	Orangeburg	Lance Shell	Richland
Rita Mae Jenkins	Charleston	*Sara Wheeler	Florence
*Rosa Lee Jenkins	Williamsburg	Mary Williams	Dillon
Lena Johnson	Kershaw	May Williams	Anderson
William Johnson	Richland	Richard Williams	Berkeley
John Little	Charleston	Carrie Winns	Georgetown
Johnny Mars	McCormick	Leola Wright	Georgetown
Clarence Mayers	Newberry		

BALLARD HALL

Deaf Children

Joe Adams	Colleton	Idell King	Charleston
Rodney Addison	Charleston	*Evaline Latimer	Anderson
*Elliott Arnold	Anderson	*Willie Lott	Saluda
Herbert Austin	Charleston	Richard Maddox	Anderson
Margaret Bates	Greenville	Edna Manigault	Kershaw
Ulysses Bennett	Allendale	Carroll Martin	Clarendon
*Bernard Brown	Charleston	*Jimmy Martin	Greenville
Freddie Brown	Williamsburg	Delephine Mayshack	Marion
Nolie Mae Brown	Anderson	*Dorothy Mitchem	Richland
Sarah Ann Conyers	Williamsburg	Alex Moore	Colleton
Novella Davis	Dillon	Violet Moore	Lexington
Leroy Ferguson	Charleston	Edna Murrell	Florence
Ruby Fields	Colleton	Alvina McIntyre	Spartanburg
William Freeman	Charleston	Archie Lee McKnight	Horry
Frank Goins	Fairfield	Edward McMillan	Sumter
Charles Grant	Bamberg	Georgia Mae Owens	Orangeburg
Earle Griffin	Greenwood	Juanita Parker	Clarendon
Betty Jean Haekett	Greenwood	*Gail Patterson	Richland
Christine Haekett	Greenwood	Jeanette Porter	Sumter
Earl Haekett	Greenwood	James Roberts	Marion
Wilhemenia Haekett	Greenwood	Janie Lou Robertson	McCormick
Mary Hames	York	Albert Ruth	Union
*Gwendolyn Hampton	Greenville	Roosevelt Simmons	Colleton
Evelyn Hanna	Aiken	Frederick Singletary	Charleston
Patricia Harrison	Richland	Changetta Smith	Greenville
*Francis Heyward	Charleston	Evelyn Suber	Lexington
Betty Hill	Greenville	Arthur Lee Turner	Fairfield
James Hoskins	Dillon	Dale Washington	Richland
James Jackson	Orangeburg	Earl Washington	Charleston
Mariah Ann Jackson	Charleston	Lucille Watson	York
Ethel Johnson	Greenville	Gloria Wilson	Dorchester
Jack Johnson	Clarendon	Louise Wilson	Sumter
Curtis Kinard	Saluda		

* Children admitted during the school year 1957 - 1958.

THACKSTON HALL



